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MEMORANDUM FOR: D/Pub.ORE 25X1A

ATTENTION

: Request for Information SUBJECT

1. Request current status of possible communist influence in the Austrian Ministry of Power Industry and Electrification. We understand some known top Communists officials have been eliminated since 1948. Specific information is requested as follows:

- a. Any current evidence that Communists control the flow of electric power to the Soviet Zone in Austria to the detriment of Western Austria, e.g. during current reported hydroelectric power shortage.
- b. If so, names of such individuals and position held in the Ministry.
- c. If any Communist influence still exists in subject Ministry, is it known to Austrian cabinet officials? If so, what are their plans for eliminating this influence and has Army Intelligence taken any steps to eliminate it?

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2. If this material can be furnished by consultation, of this office can be called upon to arrange a conference.

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